PUPILS ENROLLED NUMBER 60,298.

St. Louis Schools Open Under Favorable Conditions With Increased Attendance.

HIGH SCHOOL'S GREAT GROWTH.

Many New Teachers Engaged and Numerous Transfers Made-Salaries Are Higher Than They Have Been.

The first day's enrollment of pupils at the St. Louis schools was 60,298.

This is an increase over 1999 of 2,513, or early 1,000 more than had been anticipated. The increase was general at all of the schools. Several show a decrease in enrollment, but that is because they are in the neighborhood of new schools just put

Superintendent of Schools Soldan visited 116 schoolrooms yesterday. His three as-sistants remained in the office, where they were busy all day issuing permits to parents who desired that their children be allowed to attend some other school than that in the district where they lived.

The High School starts with an enroll-ment of 1,684, which is 192 more than the en-rollment on the first day of the 1966 term. This is regarded as another argument in favor of the establishment of High Schools in North and South St. Louis. It is considered highly probable that the board will decide this winter to erect the high schools so long wanted in North St. Louis and South St. Louis.

The day for the opening of schools was all that could be desired. The sun shone brightly, but at the same time the day was cool. Last year the epening day was very hot and many mothers kept their children home from school for more than a

dren home from school for more than a week on account of the heat.

Many new teachers are engaged this year and there has been an unusually large number of transfers. The teachers in many of the schools are strange to the pupils and the pupils to them, but Superintendent Soldan says this will be straightened out within a few days, and he does not hesitate in saying he anticipates that this will be the most successful year in the history of St. Louis schools.

The teachers return to their work knowing that their salaries are to be higher than last year. This is regarded as another incentive for good work.

The new Marshall School had a good attendance yesterday. The Compton School will not be ready to open until next week. The Edward Wyman, another new school, will not open until the second week in October.

FIRST DAY'S SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.



EXPOSITION ART EXHIBIT.

The art exhibit at the Exposition this

Masterpieces Will Be Loaned by St. Louis Owners.

wear will be exclusively devoted to pictures caned by the owners. There will be at least 600 pictures, and Mr. James Kelly, manager of the gallery, has 450 already hung. have never before been exhibited to a. St. Louis public, and all are from the private galleries of residents of this city. There are many original productions from the brushes of Murilio, Van der Veide and whers, which, artists declare, they would travel a long distance to see, and which are very valuable. Many others from the brushes of younger artists are said to be worthy of mention. They will all be exhibited under a new light effect.

The water color pictures have been allotted a special room in the castern portion of the building, and the light will be received from incandescent globes so arranged that they may be effectively viewed from any angle. There are many original productions fro

any angle.

Among those who have contributed largely are: Messrs. Huntington Smith. A. R.
Richard, Charles Bates, D. Crawford, A. R.
Dicken, Mrs. Brownell-Day and Mrs. Slaygorth, widow of Mr. Wimer, the artist.

JEFFERSON BARRACKS PLANS.

Both Cavalry and Artillery May Be

Sent to St. Louis Post.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Washington, Sept. 3.-Although the War Department has not yet decided finally the question of what troops will be stationed at Jefferson Barracks, it appears that the garrison, for a time at least, will have the eight troops of cavalry and the 160 filed artillerymen covered in the department's or-der of recent date. If the post is overded by this detail, the artillery prob ably will be ordered away, but this question

to as yet unsettled.

The department has partment has formally promulgated the order that the 160 artillerymen of the Twenty-eighth Field Artillery shall go to the It was duly entered on the anent records of the artillery divier, but up to this time it appears probable that the post will consist of both cavalry and artillery, for a time at least.

COOL WEATHER FOR ST. LOUIS.

Bismarck, N. D., Was a Warm Spot Yesterday.

The warmest place in the United States pesterday was Bismarck, N. D., which exlenced a maximum of 94 degrees, and Santa Fe., N. M., with other points in the Southwest, was among the coolest.
Temperatures over the country were much upset. The northern lake district, which had for weeks been the coolest part of the United States, experienced temperature much higher than that of the Mississippi Valley. Generally, the cool washington. much higher than that of the Mississippi Valley. Generally, the cool weather was over the Rocky Mountains, and the heat farthest from the influence of these.

In St. Louis yesterday the weather was clear, the barometer high, as throughout this section, and there was little humidity, and that steadily diminishing. The hourly temperatures were: 1 a. m., 65; 2 a. m., 65; a.



A MODERN PIED PIPER IS GOING THROUGH THE COUNTRY.

MRS. SUMMERS AS A LOCAL ATTRACTION.

Will First Present Her Original Sketch at Columbia Theater-Minor Changes Suggested.

Mrs. Clara Moseley Summers of No. 4283 Cook avenue will present the sketch she has written at the Columbia Theater as soon as she is able to make a few changes deemed necessary by Manager Frank Tate

of the Sixth street playhouse. Mrs. Summers rehearsed the sketch at the theater yesterday morning in the presence of Manager Tate. Members of the theatrical profession now appearing at the Columbia were present, among them Miss Marie Walnwright.

One of those present stated last night that Mrs. Summers's work was far above what had been expected, and Manager Tate

lost no time in contracting with her for the production of the playette.

It was deemed necessary by Manager Tate and several of the professionals whose advice was sought to make some minor changes in the act, to which Mrs. Summers readily agreed.

Mrs. Summers, as stated in The Republic

Mrs. Summers, as stated in The Republic yesterday morning, explains that she is forced to adopt the stage as a profession in order to give her two children educational advantages. She is the widow of Doctor Osmond Summers, who killed himself in the presence of a skeleton in a medical college two years ago. He had been disappointed in his failure to secure an appointment as an army surgeon after serving with distinctioin in the volunteer service. He left a poem shortly before his death which indicated high literary attainments and gave his ressons for committing suicide.

NATION'S LETTER CARRIERS.

Convention Session Devoted to Re ceipt of Official Reports.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 3.-The first business meeting of the twelfth annual convention of the National Association of Letter Carriers was held to-day. There are 50

ter Carriers was held to-day. There are 630 delegates in attendance.

President John N. Parsons announced the Committee on Resolutions as follows: Delegates Watkins, Louisville; Bradley, Millewaukee; Handel, Boston; Miller, South Omaha, and Raedel, Canton, O. President Parsons then read his annual report. He reviewed in detail the management of the affairs of the association the past year and defended his administration against sharp criticisms that have been made.

made.

The reports of Secretary E. J. Cantwell and Treasurer McDonald were read, showing total receipts the past year of \$27,413, and disbursements of \$22,375, leaving a balance on hand September 1 of \$5,059.

TO THE GOLDEN GATE AWHEEL

Frank Beebe Will Pedal to San Francisco on a Wager.

To prove that the distance from St. Louis to San Francisco, Cal., can be covered on a bicycle in forty-five days, and, incidentally, to win \$100 wagered by a friend against the successful accomplishment of the feat, Frank Beebe, a machinist in the employ of J. L. Dresser of Natural Bridge road, will J. L. Dresser of Natural Bridge road, will begin the long and strenuous journey next

The trip to San Francisco will not be the first that Beebe has undertaken, he having ridden from Buffalo to St. Louis last autum for a cash consideration and an acquaint for a cash consideration and an acquaint-ance with the great West.

Beebe has planned to go from St. Louis to Kansas City, and after distributing pien-ty of World's Fair literature in that city, will ride to Denver. The next stage of the journey will be from Denver to Ogden, and finally to the Golden Gate city.

DENIED RECOGNITION.

Gov. Dukes's Appointee Turned Down by Federal Official. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

South McAlester, I. T., Sept. 3.-Ellis Thompson, recently appointed by Governor Dukes a member of the Choctaw Townsite Commission, presented his cre-dentials to-day to Doctor Sterret, the other member of the commission, and was denied recognition, Doctor Sterret stating that he had already recognized B. S. Smizer, who was a few days ago reappointed by the Secretary of the Interior.

This is probably the beginning of legal action by the Choctaw Governor to force upon the commission his appointee, whom he claims to have the right to appoint un der the Atoka agreement. The tangle will not result in a postponement of the big sale of lots in this city to-morrow.

STAB WOUNDS PROVE FATAL

John O'Rourke Passes Away at the City Hospital.

John O'Rourke died at the City Hospital last night from the effect of cuts sustained early yesterday morning in a quarrel on Miller street, near Third street. O'Rourke was cut on the neck and abdomen. O'Rourke lived at No. 1427 South Second

street.
Emile Dreher of No. 1514 South Seventh Emile Dreher of No. 1514 South Seventh street is also a patient at the City Hospital suffering from similar wounds. O'Rourke and Dreher were on their way home from a Labor Day celebration when they met four men. A quarrel followed, in the course of which O'Rourke and Dreher were cut with knives. William Keller, No. 1421 South Seventh street; Steve Hurley, No. 1010 Rutger street, and John Cuddy. No. 1016 South Sixth street, are held at the Soulard Street Station pending investigation of the cutting. They say they know nothing about it.

AMENDMENTS TO FENDER BILL ARE REJECTED BY COUNCIL.

House Measure Is Turned Down by Council Committee on Railroads -Amendments Made by House of Delegates Are Considered a Reflection on the Capability of the Members of the Board of Public Improvements.

. WHY THE HOUSE'S AME ... MENTS TO

BOYCE FENDER BILL WERE REJECTED. .

Report submitted by City Councilman Boyce on the fender bill: "Your Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred Council bill No. 37, • with amendments thereto adopted by the House of Delegates, beg leave to re-

not concur in said amendments.
"Were the matter of life and death not too serious to permit of levity, your committee could scarce refrain taking a humorous view of the excessive modesty of the honorable body on the other side of the building, who would create a committee representing the Municipal Assembly to consist of seven members of

the House of Delegates and three members of the Council. "The amendments specify the two comlittees of the two houses, but as the Railroad Committee of the House is two and one-third times stronger numerically than the Council Committee, it is very clear that the latter would have on police in the proceedings of this commission. Yet, we are asked by the House

to sanction such a proceeding. "Why, the responsibility and duty of passing on the fenders should be taken away from the Board of Public Improvements and transferred to the Railroad

Committee of the House of Delegates is not quite clear to your committee. "The amendment is, in the judgment of your committee, an uncalled for reflection on the Board of Public Improvements, and should be disposed of by this branch of the Assembly immediately and with decision. Passing on fender devices is purely an executive duty, and certainly does not belong to the

"How a legislative body, charged with the solemn duty of guarding the inerests of the city and her citizens, can trifle with such an important measure is beyond your committee's comprehension.

"Innocent people are being slaughtered and maimed almost daily through worthless fenders, but when an opportunity is presented to at least reduce the number of casualties, the House of Delegates smothers the bill for nearly with amendments unworthy the conisderation of a month, and · self-respecting body."

House amends the fender bill in such a

fashion as to defeat the bill's purpose and

to delay its effectiveness. Now, I hope this

report will be adopted unanimously and that

the House will feel the public pulse with

The report is couched in earnest language

It denounces the tactics of the House, and

also seeks to elucidate the motives of the

amendments. The report was adopted unan

imously on motion of Mr. Meysenburg, sec onded by Mr. Markham. The following

Councilmen voted for noncurrence to the

amendments: Messrs, Boyce, Hoffmann,

Meysenburg, Markham, Schnell, Sheehar

The Council communication, stating that

the amendments had been rejected, was

read in the House last night, but Speaker

Cronin did not refer the bill or message to

the Committee on Railroads. The House

seems to be in no hurry for fender legis

RIOT AT A MERRY-GO-ROUND.

Whites and Blacks Clash and Two

Men Are Shot.

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 3.-Two hundred

negroes and whites engaged in a riot in a

Henry Mills, white, living on Lawrence

Street, was fatally shot near the heart by Henry Miller, negro, and Wallace Pickett of No. 143 Martindale avenue was shot in the back of the head. He may recover, though the bullet has not yet been ex-

tracted.

The trouble started in the crowd around the merry-go-round when John Noel, man ager, attempted to put negro children off.

POST OFFICE CLERKS.

National Association Will Work

for Eight-Hour Law.

Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 3.-The Nationa

United Post Office Clerks' Association met

in annual convention here to-day. The Com-

mittee on Resolutions, which President Ag-

NEW CUSTOMS COLLECTOR.

Bank Clerk Will Succeed Hoey at

Nogales, Ariz.

Washington, Sept. 3 .- President McKinley

has appointed Frank L. Doan to be Collec-

tor of Customs at Nogales, Ariz., to suc-

eed Mr. Hoey, who was arrested on the

charge of alding in the smuggling of China-men across the border.

Mr. Doan is a son of former Representa-tive Doan of Ohjo and has for several years been connected with a Washington bank.

BANKER SENT TO PRISON.

James M. Key, Confessing to For-

gery, Is Sentenced.

Huntington, Ind., Sept. 3.-James M. Key,

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

merry-go-round to-night.

certain emphasis."

and Spiegelhalter.

Vice President Boyce of the City Council | maimed, vehicles demolished; still, the invited Mr. Hoffmann, one of the Republican members, to take the chair yesterday afternoon, and subsequently, from the floor, presented a report as acting chairman of the Committee on Railroads, denouncing the action of the House of Delegates in tampering with the Boyce fender bill by means of sinister amendments.

Captain Boyce was indignant and h spoke with vehemence against the tactics prevailing in the House. "It is an outrage," he declared, "for the other branch of the Municipal Assembly to resort to hold-up methods toward a bill of such serious nature as this. The course, I must say, shows a lack of humanity in men who claim to have at heart the interests of the public and the progressive policy of this ad-

"I am indignant at the operations of the House of Delegates. Children are being injured frequently by street cars, adults are lation.

SHAREHOLDERS ARE EMPLOYES Tate Amusement Company Incorporates at \$300,000.

The Tate Amusement Company, capitalized at \$300,000, filed articles of incorporation with the Recorder of Deeds yesterday. The stock consists of 29,000 shares, value at \$10 each. The shareholders are: Henry Devine, 29,960 shares; Louis J. Sharp, 10 shares; Clark S. Brown, 10 shares; Orley E. Haskin 10 shares, and Charles M. McQueen All of the shareholders are employed at

the Columbia Theater. Devine, who owns the large number of shares is the repre-sentative of Kohl & Middleton. The purpose of the corporation is to operate the Columbia Theater. The lease on rate the Columbia Theater. The lease on the theater is to be taken from the Columbia Theater Building Company and the two will be operated separately hereafter. Issues to a certain extent will be pooled with houses in Cincinnati, Chicago, Indianapolis, Omaha, Kansas City New Orleans, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Los Angeles and San Francisco. The houses will establish a uniform rate

The liouses will establish a uniform rate which they will pay actors appearing at them. The other theaters interested are: The Haymarket, Olympic and Chicago Opera-house at Chicago, the Columbia at Cincinnati, the Grand at Indianapolis and the Orpheum in Omaha, Kansas City, New Orleans, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The home office of the theatrical combine is at Chicago, and will be in charge of Edward Kohl, George Caste and Morgan Deck. It is said to be the purpose of the company to get foreign actors and guarantee them a straight season of twelve weeks in the Western cities, which they would not play under other circumstances. The Columbia Theater in St. Louis is the only St. Louis theater included in the circuit.

NEW CLUBROOMS OPENED.

Latin-American Club Entertains Many Visitors.

The Latin-American Club and Foreign Trade Association gave a reception to members and their friends from 5 to 7 o'clock yesterday evening. The occasion was the celebration of the opening of the new clubrooms at No. 110 North Fourth

new clubrooms at No. 110 North Fourth street.

Under the supervision of Manager Arbuckle, the club recently extended its quarters until now it occupies the whole floor of the big building across from the Planters. New furniture has been installed and hardwood floors of mahogany and oak have been laid, making it one of the most attractive clubs in the city.

Vesterday's reception was entirely informal, but was attended by many members, and several visitors from outside of the city.

\$1,200,000 IN A DAY. Vast Sum Is Turned Into the Treasury by the Taxpayers -Clerks All Busy.

CITY COLLECTS

More than a million dollars, in cash and hecks, was paid to Collector of the Revemue Hammer yesterday. The collections for the day aggregated about \$1,200,000, breaking

all previous records for one day by an mount between \$300,000 and \$300,000. The rush to pay taxes began as early as 7:30 o'clock yesterday morning. When the office doors were opened a large crowd was waiting in the corridor. The first check to be passed over the counter was for \$119. 868,20. It was tendered by the Mercantile Trust Company. The Mississippi Valley Trust Company offered the largest check

(\$145,825.74) in payment of taxes. The smallest collection was 19 cents. est collection was 19 cents.

A rebate of 5 per cent on city taxes is granted to all taxpayers who pay their bills before October 1. This rebate is figured from the date of payment to December 31. In order to obtain the benefit taxpayers must liquidate their obligations between to-day and October 1. As the rebate is computed from the date of payment, every day represents some benefit.

Mr. Hammer and thirty-two clerks were text bury until late in the evening receiv-

Mr. Hammer and thirty-two derias were kept busy until late in the evening receiv-ing money and checks, and balancing the cash. A fine lunch, with beer, was spread out on a table in the compartment near the cashier's window, and the assistants were not obliged to leave the office for lunch or

cashier's window, and the management not obliged to leave the office for lunch or refreshments.

A list of the largest collections forow: Mercantile Trust Company, \$19,868.29; Mississipal Valley Trust Company, \$19,868.29; Mississipal Valley Trust Company, \$18,858.74; Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance Company, real estate account, \$23,555.9; Daniel Catlin, \$15,369.57; J. E. Kaime & Bro. Real Estate Company, \$22,-74.42; Continental National Bank, \$17,38.17; Chemical Building Company, \$8,59.33; Frankli, Chemical Building Company, \$8,59.33; Frankli, Chemical Building Company, \$8,59.33; Frankli, Sank, \$5,56.8; Lingenfelder & Bokern, \$6,081.5; Missouri Pacific Railway Company, \$2,34.95; Missouri Pacific Railway (Company, \$2,50.0); Claude Kilpatrick, Trustee, 38,511.85; the Collier estate, patrick, Trustee, 38,511.85; Collier estate, patrick, Trustee, 38,511.85; Collier estate, page, 38,511.85; Collier estate, page, 38,511.85; Collier estate, 38,511.85; Collier estate, page, 38,511.85; Collier estate, 38,511

PAYMENT OF HEAVY TAX BILL

Mercantile Trust Company En riches the City by \$122,499.

Taxes to the amount of \$122,490 were paid resterday by the Mercantile Trust Company on the property under its control, advantage being taken of the first day of payment to secure the discount in taxation. Property in every section of the city was represented in the payment.

The payment is one of the largest made in this city, and represents many clients of the company. Included in the payment was the property of the company itself, in-cluding the Emilie building and other busi-

ness sites. Work on the new building of the Mer cantile Trust Company at Eighth and L cust streets is progressing rapidly. The lower sections of the steel framework have ocen placed in position. Exterior walls the structure have been raised to a height

been placed in position. Exterior waits of the structure have been raised to a height of several feet.

Work has been progressing rapidly on the ruins at the foot of Biddle street, where the St. Louis Elevator formerly stood, which was destroyed by fire Easter Sunday. The workingmen cannot clear away all the debris on the northern end of the structure on account of the intense heat, the fire still burning inside the ruins.

Beds of coals have been unearthed in several portions of the ruins, and recourse has been had to fire hose on more than one occasion to prevent the fiames from spreading. In the northern section, where the heat is still intense, a solid mass of wheat, burned to a cinder, and of timber reduced to charcoal has been smoldering under a thick coals forty feet long and several feet deep. As a result, workmen are confining themselves to the eastern portion of the structure, where the fire has burned out. It is intended to clear the site thoroughly and erect another elevator on the site.

Westerners is New York.

new appointed to-day, will formulate the demands of the post office clerks in their contention for an eight-hour law.

John B. Lennon, Bloomington, Ill., treasurer of the American Federation of Labor, addressed the convention to-day, urging the association to join the federation. Westerners in New York. New York, Sept. 3.—Among the arrivals at the hotels here to-day were the following

New York, Sept. & Among the arrivals at the hotels here to-day were the following Westerners:

St. Louis-Mrs. J. C. Roberts, J. N. Bofinger, Mrs. M. C. Stuyvesant, Miss A. S. Beach, Fifth Averue: Miss E. Smith, Miss B. Smith, Grand; A. R. Meyer and Miss Miss Miss B. Smith, Grand; A. R. Meyer and Miss Bacobonald, Miss F. MacDonald, Murray Hill; L. Smith, Grand; A. R. Meyer and Miss Bacobonald, Miss F. MacDonald, Murray Hill; L. Smith, Grand; A. R. Meyer and Miss Meyer, Manhattan, Springfield, Ill.—J. S. Vredenburg, Broadway Central.

Appointed by the President. Washington, Sept. 2.—The President to-day made the following appointments:

day made the following appointments:

Treasury—Wm. A. O'Malley, Third Lieutenant, revenue cutter service.

War—Lieutenant Colonel David P. Heap and First Lieutenant Robert B. Johnston, Engineer Corps, to be members of the California Debris Commission.

Navy—Joseph Foster, Pay Director, rank of Captain; Reah Frazer, Pay Inspector, rank of Corptain; Reah Frazer, Pay Inspector, rank of corptainser; Edmund W. Bonnafon, Paymaster, rank of Lieutenant; John D. Barber, Assistant Payn aster, rank of Ensign.

Interior—Francis M. Elsey of Muskogee, Ck., to be chairman of referees to assess and apprairs demograe for light-of-way of the Fort Smith and Western Balfrout through the Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory. president of the Commercial Bank of Andrews, who pleaded guilty Monday to a number of forgeries, was to-day sentenced by Judge Branyan to from two to fourteen years in the State Penitentiary at Michigan City.

He is wanted to give testimony in a number of other cases now pending and will not be taken to the State institution for a week or more.

CITY MUST PAY FOR NEW VIADUCT.

City Counselor Says Railroad Company Should Not Bear Any of the Expense.

The City Council yesterday received a communication from the Board of Public Improvements stating that City Counselor Schnurmacher had rendered an opinion to the effect that the city cannot compel the St. Louis and San Francisco Railroad Company to pay \$15,000 as part of the expense for constructing the new Chouteau avenuviaduct over the Frisco tracks.

Mr. Schnurmacher, the communication says, asserts that the railroad paid for building the viaduct fifteen years ago. The new structure being described as a reconstruction relieves the company of any financial obligations under its charter, which requires an expenditure of \$15,000 for every new viaduct. The new viaduct will cost \$25,000.

The following House bills were passed by

The following House bills were passed by the City Council: Styling city commons block No. 53 "Carnegie Place"; appropriating \$11,123.15 for damages incurred in the opening of Keckuk street from Marine avenue to Grand avenue, \$842 for the widening of Baden avenue, \$865 for opening alley in city block \$518, and \$1,634 for opening alley in city block 1518.

Mr. Spiegelhalter introduced a bill to appropriate \$23.56 for excess per centum for

Mr. Spiegelhalter introduced a bill to appropriate \$23.56 for excess per centum for the reconstruction of Eleventh street from Franklin avenue to Biddle street. The following new bills were introduced in the House of Delegates: To appropriate \$1.135.50 for damages incurred in the opening of St. Louis avenue, \$490.35 for alley opening in city block \$425, \$405 for alley opening in city block \$425, \$405 for alley opening in city block \$250, and \$35 for alley opening in city block \$250.

WILL DAMAGE SCHLEY'S CASE.

Rear Admiral Evans's Testimony Regarding Coal Supply.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL Washington, Sept. 3.—Rear Admiral Rob-ley D. Evans, who commanded the battle-ship Iowa during the war with Spain, and Lleutenant Victor Blue, who located the Lieutenant Victor Blue, who located the positions of the Spanish ships in the harbon of Santiago, Cuba, were examined by Judge Advocate General Lemly to-day with

respect to the evidence they will submit before the Court of Inquiry. Lieutenant Harlow, the executive of the Vixen, was examined by Captain Lemly last week in regard to the notes he took while the battle was in progress, and the reasons which induced him to make the changes. It is understood that during the talk Captain Lemly had with Rear Admiral

There is no doubt as to the character of There is no doubt as to the character of evidence which will be submitted by Rear Admiral Evans. His testimony will be particularly damaging to Rear Admiral Schley when the coal supply of the squadron is in discussion. He will say that there was no lack of coal on board the lows, and that ho could almost have steamed to Europe with the fuel in her bunkers. His testimony regarding the extreme range at which the Schley bombardment of

Santiago occurred, distance from that point to which the squadron retired at night before Rear Admiral Sampson's arrival, it is said, will strengthen the anti-Schley case. Rear Admiral Schley's counsel are well informed as to the character of the evidence Rear Admiral Evans will give and they are

preparing to meet it.

It was said at the Navy Department today on the authority of an intimate friend of Rear Admiral Sampson, who has seen that officer recently, that he is determine to appear before the Court of Inquiry; that he is now resting with a view to building up his strength before the court meets and that he will appear and give his testimony even though it may result in breaking down

SAMPSON STILL VERY WEAK.

Rear Admiral Belknap Talks of the Commander's Illness.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Boston, Sept. 3.-Rear Admital George E. Belknap, retired, who has just returned from Lake Sunapee, where Admiral Samp son is, says:

"I do not consider Admiral Sampson well man. He has improved, but he is still weak. No man can suffer bodily weakness for any length of time and retain all his mental energy. It is out of the question.
Admiral Sampson is affected by his illness just as others would be. He does not talk a great deal, for the reason, it appears to me, that it tires him."

"Do you think Admiral Sampson is well enough mentally to attend the Court of Inquiry and testify as a witness?"

"I could hardly say that" replied Admiral Sampson is well than the court of the court

"I could hardly say that," replied Ad miral Belknap. "He might or might not be

MISSION WORK IN LUZON.

American Board Has Not Decided Upon a Campaign. Boston, Sept. 3 .- The officials of the

American Board of Foreign Missions have found it necessary to Issue a denial of the current reports that the board has decided current reports that the board has decided to undertake missionary work in the Philippine Islands.

The only basis for such reports is said to be that a tentative proposition has been made by representatives of union work in the Philippines and by some of the different missionary organisations in this country that the American board should initiate work in the Philippines, but no decision has been reached and no one has been invited or delegated to investigate and report.

TO ISSUE INJUNCTION AGAINST STRIKERS

Circuit Judge Zachritz Receives the Petition of Brick Manufacturers.

ORDER WILL BE MADE TO-DAY

Members of the American Federa tion of Labor and the Clay Miners' and Laborers' Union Are Made Defendants.

Circuit Judge Zachritz yesterday received petition from the Hydraulic Press Brick Company and the Evens & Howard l'ire Brick Company asking for an order to restrain the American Federation of Labor and others from interfering with the cmployes of the companies or congregating of

loitering about the premises. Judge Zachritz took the matter under adrisement. Last night he declared that he

Judge Zachritz took the matter under advisement. Last night he declared that he would issue a temporary injunction this morning, setting a time for a hearing on the case, when the application for a permanent injunction will be heard.

The suit was brought in consequence of trouble alleged to have resulted from a strike of the clay miners employed by the companies at their works at King's highway and the Frisco tracks last June.

The defendants are the American Federation of Labor, Clay Miners and Laborers' Union No. 8502, H. Helbing, president of the Clay Miners and Laborers' Union, And John Williams, its secretary, and H. Helbing and John Williams, its secretary, and H. Helbing and John Williams, Theodore, John Giveldom, George Berri, Louis Visconti, Martin Columbo, Herman Gilker, J. Frank, Louis Denil, Henry Dory, Anson Gray, John Setter, John Bassy, Zach Uiden, Charles Carrawaldy, P. Reedy, Theodore Elcheberger, J. Kelly William Ennis and Ancey Gray.

It is charged that the plaintiffs' employes have been assaulted. About August 22, it is averred, the defendants assembled in great numbers in the vicinity of plaintiffs' mines for the purpose of intercepting the men as they returned from work, and that the police had to be asked for protection.

The Court is asked to restrain the defendants, their associates and confederates, including all the officers, agents and members of the American Federation of Labor, from interfering with the employees of the plaintiffs or from threatening, intimidating or interfering with the employees of the plaintiffs or to enter the plaintiffs' service, or to try to induce any to quit work, and from consregating or loitering about the premises of the plaintiffs, or to interfere with the premises or business of the plaintiffs.

The suit was assigned to Judge Ryan's court, which is not in session, and it was sent to Judge Zachritz for a temporary order.

CHARGES AGAINST SHAFFER.

Committee Investigating Will Rev port in Buffalo on Thursday.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 1.-At a continued conference this evening the remaining members of the quorum of the Executive cil of the American Federation of Labor decided not to take further action concerning the investigation of President Shaffer's

ing the investigation of President Shaffer's strike order until word was received from President Samuel Gompers and from President Mulholland of the Association of Allied Metal Workers.

Gompers started for New York this morning and Mulholland purchased a ticket for Chicago. The conferees last night, besides Gompers and Mulholland, were Harry C. Miller of Homestead, W. R. Bulger and W. B. Lawton of Pittsburg and J. H. Campbell and Thomas Houletto of New Brighton, Pa. These men, outside of Gompers, are credited with being unfriendly to Shaffer and his edict on the strike. They do not deny it. They are executive officers of the Allied Metal Workers, and it was formed in St. Louis subsequent to the declaration of the strike by Shaffer against the United States Steel Corporation, with Mulholland as president.

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While the committee appointed to report on the charges has no especial right to investigate Shaner's conduct, it is, nevertheless, expected to report the facts, and upon them will be decided whether the support of the American Federation of Labor should be withdrawn from the steel strikers.

It is understood that President John Mitchell of the Miners' Union is chairman of the investigating committee, which is expected to report in Buffalo on Thursday, when the leaders are expected to meet at the Vendome Hotel.

ROBBER'S VICTIM IS MISSING. August Larsen Does Not Appear to

Prosecute Prisoner. Justice of the Peace J. Will Barron of Webster Groves and Sheriff Hencken of Clayton are exceedingly anxious just now o locate August Larsen, who claims he was held up, robbed and beaten in Brentwood on the night of July 21 by William Boyd, a

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Larsen was unconscious after the assault and had to be assisted to the home of Michael Murphy in Webster Groves, where he boarded. The next morning, however, he was able to go to Justice Barron's office and swear to a warrant against Boyd, charging highway robbery. He disappeared immediately afterwards and has not been seen since.

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Larsen's disappearance was not noticed until a week later, when Boyd was taken before Justice Barron for a preliminary hearing. Then it was reported that he was at the City Hospital in St. Louis and was too ill to appear. Boyd's trial was accordingly continued until September 12. There have been almost daily reports in Clayton and Webster since August 23 that Larsen had died at the hospital, but on inquiry it was found that he had never entered that institution. Yesterday there was again a persistent report that Larsen had died of the injuries he received and the authorities started to investigate. St. Louis hospitals were communicated with, but Larsen's name did not appear on any of the records. started to investigate. St. Louis hospitals were communicated with, but Larsen's name did not appear on any of the records. Murphy, the landlord, says he did not tell him where he was going.

As a result of this condition of affairs Boyd may go free, as it is said that he could not be convicted of the charge unless the prosecuting witness appeared against him.

FRANCO-TURKISH MUDDLE.

Nothing Has Been Done Looking to a Settlement.

Constantinople, Sept. 3.-Munir Bey, Turkish Ambassador to France, wired the Porte on Saturday that he had strong hopes that a settlement of the Franco-Turkish difficulty would be reached, which would preserve the dignity of both Gov-ernments. M. Delcasse, French Minister of foreign Affairs, on the contrary, wired M Bapst, Councilor of the French Embassy, categorical instructions to take no steps to show that the relations between the two

Sunday-School Convention.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Nashville, Ill., Sept. 3.—The Washington County Sunday-school Association convened in the Methodist Episcopal Church at Ashley to-day for the twenty-ninth annual session of the association. The programme to-day was both interesting and instructive, and the meeting was attended by a large number of delegates and revcrends. State Worker A. T. Arnold was also present, R. G. Ardrey of Oakdale presided, and Miss Lottle Edgar of Beaucup acted in the capacity of secretary. To-morrow will mark the close of the meeting.

BLOOMINGTON. ILL.—The annual re-union of the McLean County Veterans' Union was held yesterday at Lexington. Old soldiers from all parts of Central Illinois attended. The principal address was deliv-ered by John A. Sterling of Bloomington. Other speakers were George Riddle, Leroy; Captain Henry Augustine, Normal; E. C. Silliman; Chenoa; Gus Longworthy, Mo-Lean.